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Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 disclosing 7 references cited in the German Priority Application and the International Search Report (copy enclosed). Since it is believed that copies of the references in the International Search Report were submitted by the International Office, no copies are enclosed. EP 1 251 062 was cited in the International Search Report and in the Specification on Page 1. DE 100 01 932A was cited in the Specification on Page 1. DE 44 12 427 was cited in the Specification on Page 2. DE 41 12427 was disclosed in the German patent examination procedure and discloses a sound absorbing heat insulation for motor vehicles having a solid insulated filled into cavities. DE 41 37 706 A1 discloses a sound-absorbing heat insulation for motor vehicles. This known sound-absorbing heat insulation has a sound-permeable metal support fitted with insulation material which has a plurality of cavities which contain at least in part a solid material such as quartz sand which serves as insulation. The

cavities can be formed by two foils of which one serves as the cover for indentations formed in the second foil. The foils are preferably 0.02 to 0.05 mm thick and the microholes formed in one of the foils preferably have a diameter of about 0.3 to 0.6 mm.

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